

I have listened to radio for three decades, and the contrast between radio today and radio prior to the mid 90s couldn't be more stark. The opportunities to hear about people and events in the community has become severely limited. Radio stations have not only become more constructed in their playlists but the playlists turn over less often, creating almost unbearable repetition (undoubtedly due to the fact that all records are bought and paid for- there's no such thing as a PD pushing a record because he just thinks his listeners will like it). And there is virtually NO commitment of any kind to local-ir indeed any kind of independent- music at all. I'm tired of DJs who refer to local colleges, for instance, by an incorrect name and act as if they've never heard of them- because they haven't- they're in Albany, or Las Vegas! Broadcast radio has long since given away its main edge- its connection with the community it's part of. But I thought WE owned the airwaves so what are these broadcast corporations doing making obscene profits off our a